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Having disposed of our coal business here we must ask that our patrons who are owing us, call at our temporary office with Blakely & Ward, over Wright's furniture store, and settle or arrange for the settlement of their bills. We would ask that this be done promptly.

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Yes sir—a New Hat!

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Get a full season's wear from your spring hat! Hat week makes it possible for you to do this and *saves you money* as well.

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ODD BELIEFS ONCE COMMON

Until Comparatively Recent Times, Silly Superstitions Had a Great Hold on the People.

Superstitions in regard to the most familiar things, as well as the most unfamiliar, still linger, even in a scientific age like ours.

What man of middle age cannot remember as a boy firmly believing that if he should touch a toad wart would grow on his fingers; that if he should drop a hair from a horse's tail into water it would become a water snake; that cobwebs would stop the bleeding of a wound; that a stiff breast bone in a goose betokened a cold winter? Every countryman believes some of these and scores besides.

These superstitions are merely survivals of countless beliefs which seem to us mostly ridiculous, but which were once gravely accepted by everybody, even the most learned. How far back they go nobody knows. But Pliny, in his "Natural History," written in the first century of the Christian era, is full of them.

And all down the centuries, especially through the Fifteenth and Sixteenth centuries, there were scores of beliefs which gathered and advanced such "wisdom," and they found a public way down into the Eighteenth century. They find their way—these beliefs—into literature, and Shakespeare's plays are dotted through with examples of them.

SHARKS IN DEADLY COMBAT

Sea Monsters' Duel to the Death Witnessed by Fishermen Off South Carolina Coast.

A combat between sharks is a rare sight, but a battle to the finish was witnessed in the sea off the South Carolina coast by some fishermen. A commotion in the water first attracted attention to the spot. The two monster fish were attacking each other with the utmost fury; and as the struggle took place at the surface of the water, the anglers had an excellent view of it. The sharks fought, not with their teeth, but with their long, powerful tails. They dashed furiously at each other, darting this way and that, each lashing at the other with his tail. At no time did the spectators see blood in the water, but the blows that were struck were evidently hard enough to do fatal damage, for after a while one of the combatants began to show signs of distress. It gradually weakened and presently turned sideways on the surface and then over on its back, in which position it floated, apparently dead. The men in the boat were about to attach a rope to the carcass when suddenly there was a mighty swirl in the water, and the other shark came swiftly to the surface, seized the defeated foe in his jaws and carried him down out of sight.

Quaint Garter Customs.

There are several quaint customs in connection with garters. A description of two, however, must suffice. The one is that prevalent in several mid-European countries, of taking off the bride's garter by the best man at the breakfast, and cutting it up, and distributing the pieces among the groomsmen and guests.

The second is, or rather was, the practice in the German imperial family of giving the bride thirteen pairs, one pair of which was kept as a likely to bring her good luck. This pair is always made of pale blue silk (the maiden's color), and has diamond clasps. Another pair was sent to the museum of Berlin—where there are something like ninety most interesting specimens—and the remaining pairs were given as keepsakes to the young nobles and others who attended the bridegroom at the altar.

Judging from the modern specimens, garters are even nowadays scarcely less dainty, elaborate, or costly than of yore, though perhaps often worn more for ornament and sentiment than for use.—Kansas City Star.

Woman as Medal Designer.

Mme. Anle Mouroux, a French woman, is now on a visit to this country and has achieved a world wide reputation as a designer and maker of medals. She designed a number of war medals, for the French government, and has done other notable work. She was a winner of the Prix de Rome, which was established in 1891, and during all that time she was the only woman who contested for the honor. When she was selected the award narrowed itself down to a group of six.

Up to Specifications.

"I do not insist," the old gentleman said, "that the man my daughter marries shall have wealth, provided he has sound judgment and unusual cleverness."

"Well, you must admit, sir," the youth replied, "that I showed sound judgment in selecting you as a prospective father-in-law, and considerable cleverness in getting Grace to accept an ordinary-seeming and poor a chap as I am."—New York Sun.

Final.

"She refused you."

"Tentatively."

"What do you mean by 'tentatively'?"

"She said she would marry me when my salary got to be \$10,000 a year."

"That wasn't a tentative refusal."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

More Commercial Candor.

Auto Ad—The design of these cars is based upon the demands of the most fastidious, most critical of motorists—the man who always expects something better than he gets.

Preserving Varnish Brushes.

The man who regularly varnishes his floors will not want to invest in new brushes each season when the time comes to touch up his floors. Varnish brushes should never be put into water. They should be suspended in corked jars of linseed oil. The method of suspension is to bore a small hole in the center of the cork and wedge the end of the brush into this hole.—Popular Science Monthly.

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LEGAL NOTICES

Estate of Marilla McKinney, Deceased.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Gratiot.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the village of Ithaca, in said county, on the 10th day of February, 1922.

Present: Hon. James G. Kress, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of MARILLA MCKINNEY, Deceased.

The above estate having been admitted to probate and Clyde Wanda appointed Administrator.

It is ordered that four months from this date be allowed for creditors to present their claims against said estate and that such claims will be heard by said court on Friday the 17th day of July, 1922, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

It is further ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Alma Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

(Signed) JAMES G. KRESS, Judge of Probate.

MILDRED E. TAIT, Register of Probate.

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NOTICE

Notice of Hearing of Objections to proposed improvement under Act 59, Public Acts of 1915, as amended, of Assessment District Road No. 105.

To all persons interested in said proposed improvement and to the townships of Pine River, Seville, and Arcadia, in Gratiot County and to the County of Gratiot.

Whereas, a petition has been filed with me as State Highway Commissioner, in Gratiot County and to the County of Gratiot.

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Whereas, I have made my first order of determination, stating that the proposed improvement is necessary, as aforesaid, and have caused the survey and specifications and estimates of the cost thereof to be made and filed with me as such commissioner; and

Whereas, I have determined the boundaries of the proposed assessment district for improving said highway in Pine River, Seville, Sumner and Arcadia Townships, in Gratiot County, as above described; and

Whereas, it is proposed to improve said road or highway by constructing thereon a Class B, gravel road, 16 feet in width, together with the proper culverts, bridges, drainage and grading under the provisions of an act, entitled "An Act to provide for the construction, improvement and maintenance of highways for the levying, assessing and collecting of taxes and of special assessment; therefore, to authorize the borrowing of money and the issuance of bonds under certain restrictions, regulations and limitations; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain officers with reference thereto; and to validate certain proceedings heretofore taken," Act 59, Public Acts of 1915, as amended.

Therefore, all persons affected thereby and interested in any real estate in said townships and county are hereby notified that I will be present at the hearing of objections to the proposed improvement, proposed to be improved, at 1:00 o'clock P. M. Central Standard time on the 4th day of April, A. D. 1922, for the purpose of hearing objections to the proposed improvement and for the purpose of finally determining the limits of said assessment district.

The proposed assessment district for such highway is described as follows, to-wit: Said proposed district includes all lands within the following boundaries:

Commencing at the 1/4 post on the south side of section 33, town 12 north, range 3 west, Pine River Township, Gratiot County; thence north 1/4 mile on the north and south 1/4 line of said section 33 to its intersection with the north east-and-west 1/4 line of said section 25; thence west 2 1/2 miles on the north east-and-west 1/4 line of sections 33, 32, and 31, to the north 1/4 post on the west side of said section 31; thence continuing south 1/4 mile on the north east-and-west 1/4 line of sections 30 and 29, town 12 north, range 3 west, Seville Township, Gratiot County, to the north 1/4 post on the west side of said section 35; thence south 1/4 mile on the section line between sections 34 and 35 to the south east-and-west 1/4 line of fractional section 1; thence continuing east 2 1/2 miles on the south east-and-west 1/4 line of fractional sections 4, 5 and 4, town 11 north, range 3 west, Arcadia Township, Gratiot County, to its intersection with the north and south 1/4 line of said fractional section 4; thence north 1/4 mile on the north and south 1/4 line of said fractional section 4 to the place of beginning.

And all persons interested are hereby notified that it is the intention of the State Highway Commissioner to assess all lands within the limits of said assessment district as finally determined at said hearing, on account of the improvement of said highway according to the plans and specifications on file in the State Highway Department.

Given under my hand at Lansing, Michigan, this 10th day of March, A. D. 1922.

FRANK F. ROGERS, State Highway Commissioner.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Gratiot.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the village of Ithaca, in said county, on the 21st day of February, A. D. 1922.

Present: Hon. James G. Kress, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of LURELLA FISKE, Deceased.

Phillip W. Cresser having filed in said court his final administration account, and his petition praying for the allowance thereof and for the assignment and distribution of the residue of said estate.

It is ordered, that the 22nd day of March, A. D. 1922, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing and petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Alma Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

A true copy.

(Signed) JAMES G. KRESS, Judge of Probate.

MILDRED E. TAIT, Register of Probate.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Gratiot.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the village of Ithaca, in said county, on the 9th day of March, A. D. 1922.

Present: Hon. James G. Kress, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of ANDREW J. O'DOLE, Deceased.

Jennie O'Dole having filed in said court her petition praying that the administration of said estate be granted to Philip W. Cresser or to some other suitable person.

It is ordered, that the 10th day of April, A. D. 1922, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, once each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Alma Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

A true copy.

(Signed) JAMES G. KRESS, Judge of Probate.

MILDRED E. TAIT, Register of Probate.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Gratiot.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the village of Ithaca, in said county, on the 12th day of April, 1922, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Present: Hon. James G. Kress, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of AMMI W. WRIGHT, Deceased.

Willie T. Knowlton and Lester A. Sharpe, surviving executors of said estate, have filed in said court their Annual Account, and the same will be heard at the Probate Office on the 12th day of April, 1922, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

All persons interested are requested to be present on that day and show cause, if any, why the same should not be allowed.

Dated March 13th, 1922.

(Signed) JAMES G. KRESS, Judge of Probate.

MILDRED E. TAIT, Register of Probate.

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